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## NEWS OF POLK COUNTY

### ITEMS CONTRIBUTED BY RUSTLING LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS.

### Happenings of Interest in Various Neighborhoods Told in Interesting Manner.

#### AIRLIE

A. B. Banta, the Polk County Observer solicitor, passed thorough Airlie yesterday afternoon. He secured 22 subscriptions while here, which is a fine record for these quiet August days.

Henry Nendel has purchased a fine new buggy.

John Wierner's new house is ready for occupancy.

Ridder's threshing is busy threshing barley at James Ray's.

The United Artisans met in the Airlie hall last Saturday night.

McClenn, of Portland, is visiting at Art Winterstein's for a week or more.

C. E. Staats' threshing crew began work on Dorsey Turner's farm Monday morning.

Wiley Chandler and Daniel Dodson, of Airlie, number two in the Dickinson threshing crew.

Miss Nora Wehner is working for Mrs. Lew Rittner and will stay there until the 15th of August.

Wallace Brown and his crew began threshing yesterday. They are working not far from Airlie.

The hay yards near Airlie are looking fine, but would look better if they could have a little more moisture.

A new schoolhouse is to be the place of the old Montgomery school building this summer. Preparations are being made to build.

A number of buildings in Airlie have been repainted in the last few weeks. Davis Simpson is decorating his residence with a new coat of paint.

J. S. Smith, the dairyman south of Airlie, has had his barn finished and will start moving his house to a better location Monday. He is now preparing for moving.

Mr. Cook, of Simpson's upper logging camp, is reported by Doctor Staats to be improving very fast from injuries received by being thrown from a buggy recently.

Airlie will have a new depot agent in a couple of weeks. Clyde Turner will take the place of our present agent, Chris Domaschovsky, who will then leave here. Airlie will bid an unwilling good-bye to Chris.

Miss Josie Bevens, the former telephone operator, came up from Dallas last Saturday morning. She visited the telephone office and worked on the switchboard while there. She seemed to enjoy it greatly.

The Lewis & Allen meat market is doing business. Mr. Allen drives a wagon and supplies the threshing outfit with meat, always returning with it empty in the evening. They will run a wagon all summer.

J. M. Staats, manager of the Airlie Independent Telephone Exchange, is busy engaged in remodeling the telephone office. When the work is completed, night service will be installed with more new lines and a number of new telephones. The new directory will soon be out.

Charlie Ray and Miss Bertha Harrington, the Airlie telephone operator, went to Sulphur Springs last Sunday morning and returned home in the evening. They reported a fine time and many campers. Above all that was most noticeable was an American flag floating in the breeze above the spring.

#### LUCKIAMUTE

Harvesting is now well under way. Doctor Hewitt, of Independence, made professional calls here Friday.

Steele & Patterson commenced threshing Thursday. Their machine is doing excellent work.

Mrs. Hamilton, of Salem, is spending a few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jessie Gladys.

Miss Ruth and Gladys Wilson are reported quite ill with bilious fever. Doctor Hewitt is attending them.

John B. Hiltbrand and daughter, Vale, of Independence, will spend a few days at the home of E. E. Hiltbrand.

Mr. Voss threshed 40 acres of oats that made a yield of 50 bushels to the acre. John Orthoff also had a good crop of oats.

We have visited several hop yards and find that the yield will be light. Picking will begin about the same time as last year. Vermin is not doing any damage.

A number of young people met at the home of Mart Crawford last Saturday evening and enjoyed games and other amusements. Ice cream and watermelons were served.

Robert Patterson has a field of 40 acres in spring oats that, with a favorable season, will no doubt yield 100 bushels an acre. Last year the same field made 80 bushels an acre.

#### BUELL

Clyde Kellogg is working for Rias Hills.

Lyle Jones has gone to work with a threshing crew.

N. M. Dickey and family have moved to Sheridan.

Most of the population of Buell has gone to the coast.

Nearly all of the boys have gone with the threshers.

Herman Leonard has his barn completed and in use.

Carl Harrington made a business trip to Sheridan, Monday.

Miss Nora Jones spent Sunday with Miss Zelma Butler at Ballston.

Mr. Gibson, of Sheridan, was on the creek a couple of days last week.

Wallace Kellogg has gone to Dallas to take the teachers' examination.

Mrs. Ed Merrittweather visited Mrs. Russell Jones on Friday last week.

Will Hartnett and family visited with

A. W. Fletcher and family over Sunday.

Tobey & Mitchell are hauling their hay up to the logging camp for Winter use.

Steve Bracey and family have moved back to Perrydale until after hop picking.

Charles Shumway, of Sheridan, spent Sunday with his family in the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Ras Hills took their luncheon and went up into the mountains Sunday.

Will Fletcher, who is working at March's mill in Gopher Valley, visited at home Sunday.

The Sheridan Lumber Company is repairing the roads and bridges up to the logging camp.

Earl Butterfield, who has been working at the mill, had to return home on account of sickness.

Word was received here this week that Ross Rowell, who formerly resided at Buell, is dangerously ill with tuberculosis at a hospital in Walla Walla.

#### BALLSTON

Peter Cook, of Rickreall, was in town Monday on business.

Frank Kimsey and family went to the coast Wednesday for a few days' outing.

Miss Nora Jones and Jay Brown, of Buell, visited friends here Sunday afternoon.

Miss Sadie Colmores, of Portland, has been visiting at the home of her uncle, N. M. Conner.

George Newbill and Campbell & Nairn started their threshers Thursday. Alfred Campbell started his machine Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sears came up from Hillsboro in their automobile Saturday. Mr. Sears has gone to Gooseneck on a hunting trip. Mrs. Sears is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mayfield.

#### Zena-Spring Valley

Miss Dorothy Miller, of West Salem, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. H. Crawford.

Mrs. W. Welch returned home Sunday, after spending a few days with Mrs. W. D. Henry.

Donned Crawford and John Cooke are working with Mr. Stewart's threshing crew at Amity.

Mrs. and Mrs. Enas French are now settled at Zena, on the place recently purchased from J. E. Peck.

N. I. Bates' father and mother came out from West Salem, Sunday, for a visit with their son and family.

A number of Spring Valley farmers are hauling hay to Salem, among them Messrs. Barker, Purvine, Crawford and Simkins.

Mr. Stratton baled hay last week for Fred Carothers, Willis Schaeffer, Will Hobbs and R. C. Shepard. Mr. Woolke, of Michigan City, baled for D. G. Henry.

#### MONMOUTH

Miss Ruth C. Fugate, of Salem, is in town over Sunday.

Sheriff J. M. Grant was a business visitor in Monmouth Tuesday.

The Murdock family returned from their visit in Newport last week.

Mrs. C. A. Davis, of Luckiamute Valley, was in Monmouth, Friday.

Mr. Stone, our flouring mill man, is building a grain warehouse.

S. Morrison, of McMinmonds Valley, was in Monmouth Sunday.

Early Hewitt, one of Polk County's dairymen, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Agnes Putnam, of Salem, visited relatives in Monmouth last week.

Miss Sidney Chaney, of Pendleton, has been visiting relatives in Monmouth.

Mrs. John Nichols, of Albany, visited her sister, Mrs. Allen Johnson over Sunday.

Mrs. L. Cooper, of Burns, Oregon, was the guest of her uncle, D. C. McNeal, last week.

Loren Waller, of Siletz, visited in town Monday. He returned to his home Wednesday.

Mrs. Ira E. Allen, of Portland, visited at the home of her brother, Doctor Bowersox, over Sunday.

Mrs. David Stump and Mrs. T. F. Campbell and children have gone to Newport for an outing.

J. L. Murdock has gone to Eastern Oregon to investigate a land proposition. He may locate there.

Ira Powell, cashier of the Polk County Bank, left with his children for an outing at Newport this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Edelman and daughter, Dottie, of Lincoln, were visitors at the home of her brother, W. P. Fisher, Friday.

Harvest is on in full blast. The hum of the thrasher and the whistle of the engine can be heard on all sides. Grain is turning out well.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Herren, son and daughter, returned this week from their outing on the beach at Newport. They report a pleasant trip.

Mrs. Jane Morrison, of Eugene, visited her sister, Mrs. D. M. Hewitt, last week. Mrs. Morrison and her sister visited relatives in Perrydale later in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Portwood, of Airlie, were in town on a business visit Tuesday. Mr. Portwood was formerly in the mercantile business here, but is now a full-fledged farmer.

J. A. Peterson, of Reno, Nevada, is visiting relatives in Monmouth. He was in that city when the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight took place. He is well pleased with that part of the country.

Little Johnny Tate, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tate, of Dallas, was playing on a pile of lumber one day this week, when it fell on him and broke his leg twice between the knee and the ankle. Dr. Matthis set the broken bone and the little fellow is now resting comfortably, considering the severe injury.

Burns Powell, of Portland, but formerly of Monmouth, is renewing old acquaintances in town. He was born and raised in Monmouth, and graduated from the Normal School. He taught school for several years, but the work

proved injurious to his health, and he is now reading law. His friends predict a bright future for him.

#### BOLE

The new grade and bridge is now open to traffic.

Byron Brunk is working with a bridge crew at Airlie.

Thomas Holman sold his last year's crop of hops one day last week.

H. B. Brophy has sold most of his sheep to Hugh Farmer, of Rickreall.

John Schaffer and M. L. Capps went to State Fair Grounds last Saturday.

Elvin and Lela Schaffer visited relatives near Oak Grove and Bethel last week.

George and Emily Cromley are visiting relatives here for about two weeks.

Grandma Chapman took suddenly sick while visiting friends in the hills Saturday.

Mrs. Allen Thacker is at home, visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hayden.

C. Trent has moved from the Swan house to the house formerly occupied by Mr. Beck.

Mrs. Antieann, who was taken to the hospital for the second time, returned home the latter part of last week.

Mr. Purvine, of Independence, went to the W. J. Cromley farm last Tuesday and will build a new barn there.

Mr. Grice, who will do most of the threshing in this district, started his machine on the E. L. Harris farm last Monday.

George Brunk, B. I. Ferguson and sons, Roy and Bryan, and Clive Trent are working with the Grice threshing machine.

Mrs. E. T. Hamer and Miss Maymie Schaffer are picking the evergreen blackberries on Mrs. Hamer's place and are selling them to the cannery in Salem.

Twenty-one persons were present at the Bible class, which met at the home of T. W. Brunk last Sunday.

The meeting will be held there again next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

#### SALT CREEK

Mrs. Gee's daughter from California is visiting here.

J. Bowles and family were visitors in Dallas last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baxter, of Perrydale, left for the coast Monday.

The Gilliam & Morrison threshing outfit began threshing last Monday.

P. Bartholomew and W. Thieses have bought a new threshing machine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baxter, of Perrydale, spent Sunday with George Starr and family.

P. Bartholomew lost a valuable dog recently. It is believed that the animal was poisoned.

#### BRIDGEPORT

A. B. Banta, representative of the Observer, was out this way Monday.

Being a charter member of the Observer family, Mr. Banta did not need to present much argument to convince us that it is the best paper in the county.

Eugene R. Mahoney is visiting near Bridgeport.

Judd Foster has gone threshing on Salt Creek.

Mr. Irish is moving his mill on L. N. Belleu's place.

Born, August 5, 1910, to Mr. and Mrs. Amos Jones, a son.

R. Mahoney has his sawmill set up and ready for operation on Aunt Maria Smith's place.

The county rock crusher started up on Grant Creek this week, and hauling began Wednesday.

George Bennett has bought a new gasoline threshing outfit and will thresh in Cooper Hollow and vicinity.

D. M. Guthrie is harvesting the 64th crop off the old place, which he recently sold. Mr. Guthrie is in his 87th year and will retire from active work.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Guthrie, August 4. The child lived but a few hours. Mrs. Guthrie is getting along as well as could be expected.

#### BETHEL

Cecil Graves was a visitor in Salem, Sunday.

Frank Richardson has bought a new motorcycle.

Miss Leda McKee has been visiting in Salem the last week.

Wilford and Harold Jenkins are visiting friends in Corvallis.

Mrs. Frank Logan has been visiting in Newport the last week.

Bob McKee is visiting at the home of his father, Jack McKee.

Hugh Farmer shipped a carload of sheep and hogs to Portland Tuesday.

Miss Veda Mulkey has returned from a visit with Miss Bertha Reese in McMinnville.

Miss Beatrice Downing, of Portland, is visiting at the home of her cousin, Minnie Downing.

James Buttrick has finished baling hay for this season and is now getting ready for clover hulling.

The Southern Pacific Company is improving its depot property in McCoy by putting down granite.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal, who have been visiting at the home of George Richards, have returned to their home in Boring, Oregon.

Walter Selber, of Illinois, and Clarence Hildebrand, of Washington, are helping Walter Domes put his "Crescent Hill" Jersey herd in condition for the coming state fair.

#### FALLS CITY

Dora Elkins was a Dallas visitor Tuesday.

A. E. Trask was a passenger to Portland, Tuesday.

J. S. Courter was a Portland visitor the last of the week.

Gay Sever, of Portland, was in town the last of the week.

Mrs. C. M. Travis returned from Newport the last of the week.

William Ford has purchased the

## IN LUCKIAMUTE VALLEY

### CROPS ARE GOOD AND FARMERS ARE PROSPEROUS.

### Observer Representative Spends Three Days There and Tells What He Saw.

A representative of the Observer visited Airlie and the Pedee Valley this week and found a good country of good people, good land, good water, and everything in a most gratifying state of prosperity, and the Polk County Observer the favorite newspaper.

Airlie is a beautiful town, situated at the terminus of the I. & M. Railway, about 10 miles southwest of Monmouth. It has two general stores, hotel and butcher shop, and is surrounded by fertile valleys of as good land as will be found anywhere on the Pacific Coast.

### Stores Are Modern.

The general store of Miller, Alcorn & Company has a large stock of dry-goods, groceries and other merchandise necessary in a general store. The firm has been in business seven years and has been unusually prosperous. W. S. Alcorn, the present manager, has been in charge about a year. By courteous treatment of his customers and fair dealing with the farmers of the surrounding country, this store has built up a steady, liberal trade. In addition to his work as manager of the store, Mr. Alcorn is filling the office of Postmaster. He is well pleased with Airlie and the growing business of his firm.

The Simpson Brothers' store is owned and managed by D. H. and F. H. Simpson, both old residents in this locality and good business men. They started in business six years ago. They are pleasant men to meet, socially or in a business way, and their store is popular as a trading point.

Their large trade extends up the valleys in every direction, drawing much business that would be considered beyond the territory of Airlie. They carry everything in general merchandise, including groceries, dry-goods, paints, oils, shelf hardware. One remarkable thing about this firm is that it "turns" its stock every three months, thereby assuring its customers new and fresh goods at all times.

### Busy Telephone Office.

Mrs. Lette Harrington and her daughter, Bertha, have charge of the central telephone office at Airlie, and their courteous, considerate treatment of the patrons of the system has done much to make it popular. It is no easy task to manage a switchboard and satisfy the demands of an exacting public. It is safe to say that if the average patron could take the place of "central" for but one day, there would never be any but words of sympathy from that quarter thereafter.

The Airlie system has about 250 phones, and has over 1000 free connections. It is owned by J. M. Staats. Mr. Staats has lately been adding a front porch to the central office and is planning to put in a new switchboard, with copper cables, thus giving the public even better service.

Mr. Staats is one of the most experienced telephone men in the country. He built the first mutual line into Corvallis; also into Dallas, Independence and Albany. He is now preparing to establish an all-night service at Airlie.

### Other Business Concerns.

C. T. Allen drives a wagon for A. B. Lewis' meat market and supplies all of the surrounding country from Buena Vista and Wells, on the one side, to Upper Pedee on the other. Mr. Allen is popular with his customers, and his market uses every effort to give its customers the best value for their money.

Mr. W. W. Rose manages the hotel in Airlie. Her place is a favorite with travelers. The patrons of this hotel are always sure of good meals and comfortable beds.

Dr. V. C. Staats, a son of one of the pioneer families of the Luckiamute country, is the physician at Airlie. His practice covers a large territory, some of his rides taking him far back into the Coast mountains.

Any description of Airlie would be incomplete without mention of Tom Williams, one of the oldest residents of Polk County, and Mayor of his town by common consent. Uncle Tom helped to build Luckiamute Falls, and he remembers the day when Bald Mountain was a large, circular hole in the ground. He was present to do the honors demanded by the occasion when the first railroad train pulled into his town over the old narrow gauge. He says this train consisted of a row of drygoods boxes on wheels, drawn by a tea kettle. Uncle Tom is a kindly, jovial old gentleman and enjoys the highest respect and esteem of the people of his town.

### Beautiful Pedee Valley.

The Pedee Valley is about six miles long and presents a scene of wonderful beauty and wealth. If natural scenery could be turned into available collateral, the people up there would all be millionaires. The flat-topped hills and mountains and the rich, fertile valley, present an appearance that impresses the visitor with admiration and surprise. No one can describe it, but do not think you have seen all the beauties of Polk County until you have visited this wonderful valley. The people who make their homes in this part of the county are quite as admirable as the valley itself. Industrious, hospitable, and pleasant to meet, they are the kind of people that make Oregon a delightful state in which to live. Many of them do not realize what a world of wealth there is in this valley, but none of them seem to want to leave. Not a man in this valley spoke of desiring to sell out. Scarcely an acre of ground can be found here but offers immense possibilities in fruit raising. As orchard land it is not excelled.

One of the most progressive farmers of this valley is Frank Gilliam. His farm includes some excellent pasture land. Here he has his 75 head of fine sheep. His place is well improved, and the crop this year was a splendid one. His sheep are of the Cotswold breed, and although not registered

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